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**MEMORANDUM FOR: ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR SPECIAL OPERATIONS**

**SUBJECT: Albanian Operation - Transmittal of Report on VALUABLE Operations**

1. Reference is made to your memorandum SO DB-22433 of February 16, 1950. The report transmitted with your reference memorandum was of great interest to this office and appears to be a generally accurate description of the VALUABLE operation. As requested by you, the report is returned herewith.

2. With reference to Para. 4 of your memorandum, it is, of course, true that in forming the Committee for Free Albania the KEVA organization was excluded from membership as its aims are in opposition to United States policy with respect to Albania. In addition, it is clear that no Greek-sponsored organization such as KEVA can have any popular basis in Albania, since it is essentially Greek and not Albanian.

3. With reference to the statement by one of the KEVA leaders that the Balli Kombetar is attempting to take credit for the anti-Communist activities carried out by KEVA in Southern Albania, you will, no doubt, recall that the VALUABLE interrogations, forwarded to you under cover of our memorandum of December 23, 1949 (CIA control number 35738), indicated that the VALUABLE agents everywhere received information that agents infiltrated into Albania by other Services, particularly the Greeks, were passing themselves off as Ballists, and even in some cases as United States- or British-sponsored. This suggests to this office that any credit the Balli Kombetar may receive for anti-Communist activities carried out by KEVA, or other groups, is based not so much on any deliberate attempt of the Balli Kombetar to make it appear they are behind such activities as on the use being made of Balli Kombetar prestige by other Albanian political refugee groups, including the KEVA organization.

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